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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ELECTRONICALLY
EXCHANGING AND STORING AN IMAGE OF A BUSINESS CARD
ALONG WITH ASSOCIATED CARD INFORMATION

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